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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Kessler, et al.

Application No.: 09/530,746

Group Art Unit: 1654

Filed: November 16, 2000

Examiner: Strzelecka, T.

For: SPI

SPECIFIC AND SENSITIVE METHOD FOR DETECTING NUCLEIC ACIDS

Attorney Docket No.: 1803-277-999

PETITION TO REVIVE AN UNINTENTIONALLY

ABANDONED APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)

Attention: Office of Petitions Commissioner for Patents

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Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests revival of the above-identified application under 37 CFR § 1.137(b).

Applicants respectfully submit that the above-identified application became unintentionally abandoned for failure to respond to the Notice to Comply with the Sequence Rules mailed on September 7, 2001. The date of abandonment of this application is October 8, 2001.

The entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 § CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Applicant hereby petitions to revive the unintentionally abandoned application under 37 CFR. § 1.137(b). Please charge the \$1240.00 petition fee as required through 37 CFR § 1.17(m) to Pennie & Edmonds, LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order number 1803-227-999).

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The commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-1150 (order number 1803-227-999) for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required. A copy of this paper is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 27, 2002

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